

# Volunteer Lake Assessment Program Individual Lake Reports LEAVITT BAY, OSSIPEE, NH

| MORPHOMETRIC DATA             |                 |      |                         | TROPHIC | CLASSIFICATION | KNOWN EXOTIC SPECIES |  |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------|-------------------------|---------|----------------|----------------------|--|
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|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|------|---------------|------------------|
| Surface Area (Ac.):   | 176     | Mean Depth (m): | 3.4       | P Retention Coef:   | -0.01 | 1987 | MESOTROPHIC   |                  |
| Shore Length (m):     | 4,800   | Volume (m³):    | 2,429,000 | Elevation (ft):     | 406   | 2003 | OLIGOTROPHIC  |                  |

The Waterbody Report Card tables are generated from the 2012 305(b) report on the status of N.H. waters, and are based on data collected from 2001-2011.

| Designated Use             | Parameter          | Category     | Comments  |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|---|
| Aquatic Life               | Phosphorus (Total) | Good         | >/=5 samples and median is < threshold but > 1/2 threshold value.             |
|                            | рН                 | Slightly Bad | >10% of samples exceed criteria by a small margin (minimum of 2 exceedances). |
|                            | D.O. (mg/L)        | Encouraging  | < 10 samples and no exceedance of criteria. More data needed.                 |
|                            | D.O. (% sat)       | Slightly Bad | >10% of samples exceed criteria by a small margin (minimum of 2 exceedances). |
|                            | Chlorophyll-a      | Good         | >/=5 samples and median is < threshold but > 1/2 threshold value.             |
| Primary Contact Recreation | E. coli            | No Data      | No Data for this parameter.   |
|                            | Chlorophyll-a      | Very Good    | At least 10 samples with 0 exceedances of criteria.                           |

## **BEACH PRIMARY CONTACT ASSESSMENT STATUS**

| BROAD BAY - CAMP ROBIN HOOD BEACH | E. coli | Very Good   | All bacteria samples <75% of geometric mean criteria, but not enough to calculate geometric mean.  Or, all bacteria samples are < single sample criteria and calculated Geometric means are less than geometric mean criteria. |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|--|
| BROAD BAY - CAMP HUCKINS BEACH    | E. coli | Encouraging | >2 samples exist that are > 75% of geometric mean criteria, but not enough samples to calculate geomertic mean. No single sample exceedances. More data needed.  |
| LEAVITT BAY - CAMP MARIST BEACH   | E. coli | Very Good   | All bacteria samples <75% of geometric mean criteria, but not enough to calculate geometric mean.  Or, all bacteria samples are < single sample criteria and calculated Geometric means are less than geometric mean criteria. |

### WATERSHED LAND USE SUMMARY

Fry, J., Xian, G., Jin, S., Dewitz, J., Homer, C., Yang, L., Barnes, C., Herold, N., and Wickham, J., 2011. Completion of the 2006 National Land Cover Database for the Conterminous United States, PERS, Vol. 77(9):858-864. For larger image contact NHDES.



| Land Cover Category        | % Cover | Land Cover Category | % Cover | Land Cover Category  | % Cover |
|----------------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|----------------------|---------|
| Open Water                 | 3.64    | Barren Land         | 0.64    | Grassland/Herbaceous | 0.36    |
| Developed-Open Space       | 2.95    | Deciduous Forest    | 23.25   | Pasture Hay          | 0.85    |
| Developed-Low Intensity    | 0.77    | Evergreen Forest    | 20.38   | Cultivated Crops     | 0.5     |
| Developed-Medium Intensity | 0.25    | Mixed Forest        | 38.4    | Woody Wetlands       | 4.65    |
| Developed-High Intensity   | 0.04    | Shrub-Scrub         | 2.67    | Emergent Wetlands    | 0.6     |

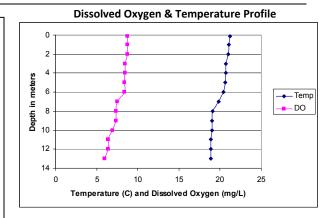


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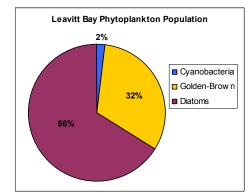
## **2012 DATA SUMMARY**

## **OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS** (Refer to Table 1 and Historical Deep Spot Data Graphic)

- **♦ CHLOROPHYLL-A:** Chlorophyll levels were the highest measured since monitoring began. Historical trend analysis indicates a relatively stable chlorophyll level since monitoring began.
- CONDUCTIVITY/CHLORIDE: Conductivity and chloride were low and below the NH lake median in 2012.
- **♦ TOTAL PHOSPHORUS:** Deep spot phosphorus levels were low. Historical trend analysis indicates a relatively stable epilimnetic (upper water layer) phosphorus level since monitoring began.
- Transparency: Transparency was lower in 2012 possibly due to the increased algal growth. Historical trend analysis indicates a significantly decreasing (worsening) transparency since monitoring began.
- **♦ TURBIDITY:** Turbidity levels were low in 2012.
- PH: pH levels were slightly low and historically have been at critical levels.
- RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Increase monitoring frequency to at least three times per summer. Review transparency procedures and evaluate camp volunteers on process to ensure that the observed trend is not due to human error.



|                  |      | Table 1. 2012 Average Water Quality Data for LEAVITT BAY |          |       |         |        |      |       |      |  |
|------------------|------|--|----------|-------|---------|--------|------|-------|------|--|
|                  | Alk. | Chlor-a  | Chloride | Cond. | Total P | Trans. |      | Turb. | pН   |  |
| Station Name     | mg/l | ug/l   | mg/l     | uS/cm | ug/l    | 1      | m    | ntu   |      |  |
|                  |      |  |          |       |         | NVS    | VS   |       |      |  |
| Deep Epilimnion  | 3.40 | 3.81   | 4        | 35.2  | 7       | 3.00   | 4.00 | 0.65  | 6.71 |  |
| Deep Metalimnion |      |  |          | 35.8  | 8       |        |      | 0.62  | 6.52 |  |
| Deep Hypolimnion |      |  |          | 35.8  | 3       |        |      | 0.63  | 6.56 |  |



**NH Median Values:** Median values for specific parameters generated from historic lake monitoring

data.

Alkalinity: 4.9 mg/L Chlorophyll-a: 4.58 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Conductivity: 40.0 uS/cm Chloride: 4 mg/L Total Phosphorus: 12 ug/L Transparency: 3.2 m

**pH:** 6.6

**NH Water Quality Standards:** Numeric criteria for specific parameters. Results exceeding criteria are considered a water quality violation.

Chloride: < 230 mg/L (chronic)
E. coli: > 88 cts/100 mL – public beach
E. coli: > 406 cts/100 mL – surface waters
Turbidity: > 10 NTU above natural level
pH: 6.5-8.0 (unless naturally occurring)

# HISTORICAL WATER QUALITY TREND ANALYSIS

 Parameter
 Trend
 Explanation

 Chlorophyll-a
 Stable
 Data not significantly increasing or decreasing.

 Transparency
 Degrading
 Data significantly decreasing (worsening).

 Phosphorus (epilimnion)
 Stable
 Data not significantly increasing

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or decreasing.

